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THE county offices of the land of Graham are now located in North Millbrook.

THE *Herald* mentions that there have been several fights in Phillipsburg within the past two weeks between "men of the better stamp." It then proceeds to propound to them a sensible lecture, which can hardly fail to convince them that they will soon lose their "better stamp" unless they desist from the practices of ruffians, bullies and general rakes.

ON Monday of last week Frank Sims shot and killed James Dodge in Logan, Phillips county. The two men had had trouble, but the Phillipsburg *Herald* regards the murder as cold-blooded, and adds that the feeling in Logan against the murderer was so intense that it was feared for a time he would be mobbed. He was lodged in jail at Phillipsburg.

IN addition to the secretary's report of the proceedings of the judicial convention at Millbrook, which appears in this issue, it is proper to reiterate, as we stated last week, that on several ballots McMath received upwards of twenty votes. The official report also fails to state that Mr. Pratt's nomination was made unanimous, or that the judicial committee organized by electing C. W. Miller, of Ellis county, chairman, and C. A. Lewis, of Phillips, secretary. The official report, outside of being a little brief, is good. It gets down to relating the very marrow of the work which was performed.

THERE is one man in this town who every week or so makes a practice of getting drunk and going home and beating his wife in a shameful, brutal manner. The woman in question is a hard-working, industrious woman, who is as much above her "liege lord" as piety is above sin, and we want to warn this sweet seated individual that the very next time this occurs again we intend giving him an airing in the *Western Empire* that will make his hair stand on end. [Alton Empire.] And if to that expose you will have a whipping at a public post attached, the fellow will be treated all the more deservingly. This latter punishment is adopted for some wife beaters over by the Atlantic shore these summer days.

LAST week's *Kirwin Independent* heaped a lot of silly abuse upon W. H. McBride and C. A. Lewis for supporting Geo. Stinson at the Millbrook convention. The *Independent* is not a Republican paper, and it had no moral or logical right to dip its ear into the business of Republicans. It is fair to presume that the *Independent* don't like the *Chief's* stories about "Who Stole the Boots" and "Robbing the United States Mail; or the Advantages of Getting Drunk," as they apply to the *Independent* editors. But we submit that, while these stories have no direct relation to the strictures on McBride and Lewis, they are at least equally fair. The average modern reformer needs jolting very occasionally in order that he may hear his little brains rattle around the inside walls of the gourd.

THE *Dem. Advocate* man at Hays seems to have gone home from the Millbrook convention to begin the work of slandering L. K. Pratt. He seeks to belittle that gentleman's ability as a lawyer by telling how his judgeship will be worried when such lawyers as Rathbone and Gilkeson get to propounding knotty questions to him. We feel perfectly safe in saying that neither of these gentlemen will fool with L. K. Pratt for as long as a minute. But, Mr. Freese, the sooner you learn that your choice in a convention must, at least a part of the time, give way to that of the opposition, the nearer qualified you will be to take part with some influence in party deliberations. To speak more plainly, if possible, the man who, G. Bill Curtis-like, goes into a convention to rule or ruin, is not the sort of man whose advice intelligent, fair-minded readers are seeking, and he, therefore, might just as well keep it to himself.

Judicial Convention.
Pursuant to notice the judicial convention of the 17th judicial district of Kansas convened at Millbrook on Monday, July 27, 1885, at 1 o'clock P. M., and was called to order by H. J. Fuller, of Graham county.
On motion E. D. York, of Decatur

county, was chosen temporary chairman and H. J. Fuller secretary.
On motion the following committees were appointed:

ON CREDENTIALS.
D. B. Kuney, of Norton.
Frank Strain, of Phillips.
A. J. Davis, of Rooks.
M. A. Chambers, of Sheridan.
Martin Allen, of Ellis.
G. F. Bogue, of Decatur.
M. A. Wilson, of Rawlins.
A. N. Harper, of Graham.
Geo. Pinkham, of Trego.

ON PERMANENT ORGANIZATION AND ORDER OF BUSINESS.
G. A. Spaulding, of Phillips.
J. H. Wright, of Norton.
J. B. Hitchcock, of Decatur.
W. R. Shirley, of Rawlins.
F. Hopkins, of Ellis.
J. C. Dewey, of Rooks.
R. C. Davis, of Graham.
A. W. Purinton, of Trego.
T. D. Clearman, of Sheridan.

ON RESOLUTIONS.
W. Jennings, of Decatur.
C. A. Lewis, of Phillips.
James Gordon, of Graham.
C. C. Ridgway, of Trego.
Wm. Manning, of Ellis.
The committee on credentials reported the following delegates entitled to seats: Ellis County—Frank Hopkins, Ed. Madden, W. Manning, C. W. Miller, J. C. McQuary, J. B. Hutchinson.
Phillips county—G. A. Spaulding, Frank Strain, G. W. Gandy, W. E. Montgomery, C. A. Lewis, W. H. McBride, Geo. Vech, L. G. Nay, C. E. DonCarlos, James Wilson, C. H. Leffingwell.

Decatur county—C. E. Chandler, G. F. Bogue (proxy), J. B. Hitchcock, G. W. Shoemaker, W. Jennings, R. A. Benson.
Graham county—James Gordon, H. J. Fuller, A. N. Harper, H. J. Harwi, R. C. Davis.
Thomas county—J. N. Stewartson.
Rawlins county—E. D. York, W. R. Shirley, M. A. Wilson.

Sheridan county—Wm. Bradshaw.
Norton—W. H. Hollenshead, J. H. Wright, A. Butler, L. H. Thompson, P. H. Loomis, D. B. Kuney, F. M. Duvall, E. H. Fleisher, F. M. Jolly.
Trego—W. H. Wilcox, W. S. Tilton, Geo. Pinkham, C. C. Ridgway, A. W. Purinton.
Cheyenne—H. G. Thurman.
Rooks—J. B. Kelley, A. Lambert, Geo. Benedict, F. Hill, J. C. Denney, A. J. Davis, J. D. Smith, W. D. McLaughlin, D. Richmond, Eli Sherman, Wm. Baxter.
Sheridan—M. A. Chambers, T. D. Clearman.

St. John—E. P. Worcester (alternate).
Gove—John Morgan.
Wallace—J. S. Williams.
The committee on permanent organization and rules reported as follows: That the temporary organization be made permanent.

That the chairmen of the several delegations on roll call announce the vote of their respective counties on all questions. That the chair appoint two tellers. The chair appointed J. B. Kelley, of Rooks and W. H. Hollenshead, of Norton, as tellers.

Nominations were declared by the chair to be in order, and it was moved that the secretary call the roll of counties and each county announce its respective candidate.

C. A. Lewis nominated Geo. W. Stinson, of Phillips.
J. B. Hamilton nominated L. K. Pratt, of Norton.
J. B. Hutchinson nominated David Rathbone, of Ellis.
Prof. Leach nominated C. W. Smith, of Rooks.
W. S. Tilton nominated E. A. McMath, of Gove.
G. F. Bogue nominated A. L. Patchin, of Decatur.

The first ballot stood:
McMath..... 7
Patchin..... 12
L. K. Pratt..... 11
Rathbone..... 8
Stinson..... 14

The 67th ballot stood:
Patchin..... 6
Stinson..... 30
Smith..... 1
McMath..... 5
L. K. Pratt..... 2

The 68th ballot stood:
L. K. Pratt..... 34
Rathbone..... 29
Smith..... 1
L. K. Pratt, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared the

nominee of the convention.
The following judicial committee was selected:

Graham—H. J. Harwi.
Ellis—C. W. Miller.
Norton—P. H. Loomis.
Decatur—C. E. Chandler.
Rooks—J. C. Denney.
St. John—J. J. Sears.
Trego—W. S. Tilton.
Sheridan—John Morgan.
Gove—John Morgan.
Thomas—W. G. Porter.
Sheridan—A. D. Urquhart.
Wallace—J. Williams.
Phillips—C. A. Lewis.
Rawlins—M. A. Wilson.
Cheyenne—H. G. Thurman.
On motion adjourned.
E. D. York, Ch'n.

E. J. Fuller, Sec.
—And another rain fell here Tuesday night.

—Mr. E. W. Blair, formerly of this place, owns a hardware store in Solomon City.

—Mr. W. G. Marshall started to Iowa on Thursday of last week to visit a sick brother. He has not returned home yet.

—The news has been caught by a *World* reporter's ear that the city government is about to frame an ordinance to meet the case of the gambling seven-out-of-a-possible-seven outfit over on Railroad avenue.

—Wa-Keeney has a new postmaster. G. M. Ufford was appointed last Monday, vice J. W. Millard, who had resigned. Mr. Ufford is a Democrat, of course. Democrats, in fact, ought to hold all the postmasterhips now. The new appointee starts into the office with the good will of our people, and the indications are that his department will be such as to command their continued confidence. The salary of the postmaster at this place is an even one thousand dollars a year, with the chances decidedly in favor of a material increase in the near future.

—Mr. T. J. Hinshaw, with sound sense, said to us last Saturday that he wished to treat us as well as he treated Sam Smith on giving the latter an apple to show the *Nees* City editors. Mr. Hinshaw then presented to us as nice an apple as you will often come across. For its size, it sends out more odor to the second than any other apple which we remember ever to have seen. He calls it Hinshaw's Ornamental Seedling. It is on exhibition at this office. Mr. Hinshaw has raised only a few apples this year, but he has reason to expect that several of his trees will be loaded next year. He thinks that western Kansas will soon be developed into an ideal fruit region.

—Master Paul Conger, flushed with success by his recent triumph, came to tell a *World* reporter all about it Wednesday forenoon. He and his brother Fritz had that same forenoon been out south and somewhat east of their house, across the railroad track, gunning for plover. The soft substance on which Paul stepped unwittingly was a rattlesnake. He said that if the animal had not been blind it certainly would have bitten him. Paul said that, after jumping off it rapidly enough, he fired at it, but that the shot would not enter the snake's hide. He then set the butt of his gun on the snake's body, and Fritz crushed its head with his feet. The snake measured 3 feet and 8 inches around the body. It had nine rattles and a button, which Paul exhibited as a very proud trophy of his victory. His rattlesnakehood had been feasting on one or more full-size prairie dogs. This, we are sure, was a very old snake for this region of country. The next boy who can tell as good a snake story as Paul has told will confer a great favor on the first *World* reporter which he accosts.

A Soldier Drowned.

From Post Chaplain Parker, of Fort Hays, we obtain the information that a soldier of Company "D," 18th U. S. infantry, was drowned in Big Creek last Saturday. His name was John Lankin. He was a Dane by birth. He was in bathing near the sight of Yost's old mill. He had grabbed a root, preparatory to going on to the shore. While hold of the root, his feet slipped, and he sank in deep water. He was a poor swimmer, and could not rally. His body was recovered in a very short time, but too late to admit of resuscitation.

The Keystone House.

The new Keystone House, in Grainfield, Gove county, Kansas, is now nearly completed, and is a specimen of excellent workmanship. The proprietor, Thos. Hindman, is sparing no pains nor expense in providing for the comfort of his guests and the public. The carpenters—Peter J. Forney, foreman—have done a number one job; and the plasterers—John Darks, foreman—have done splendid work. Come and see for yourselves. One and all are invited. Prop.

Judicial Convention Resolutions.

The 17th judicial convention committee on resolutions submitted the following report:

RESOLVED, That after having the administration of governmental affairs for twenty-four years, we congratulate the Republican party in bringing to a successful termination a long and protracted civil war; upon its wise and judicious management of public affairs, whereby a deeply depreciated currency has been brought to par value, our diplomatic relations left in a most amicable condition the world over, and our international improvements and resources brought to a state of unprecedented prosperity. We especially congratulate the Republican party upon the fact that after receiving and disbursing billions of dollars of the nation's finances, it leaves a treasury to the lynx eyes of an adverse administration with a discrepancy of only two cents.

RESOLVED, That we deplore the accession to power of a party which, less than a quarter of a century ago, attempted to disrupt the Union; a party which, in less than five months after assuming the reins of government, has violated the civil service laws of the land by removing honest and efficient public officers, among whom were named and crippled Union soldiers, and placing in their stead officers who served in the rebel army and copperheads who poisoned the very air of the North, and this, too, under the miserable subterfuge of "offensive partisanship" and the guise of "reform."

RESOLVED, That in the death of the country's great chieftain and hero of Appomattox, the brave and gallant Gen. U. S. Grant, the world and humanity have sustained an irreparable loss, and the heartfelt sympathies of this convention are hereby tendered to the bereaved family of the dead hero, and the brave boys in blue who fought under his command.

RESOLVED, That the thanks of this convention are hereby tendered to his excellency, Gov. John A. Martin, for his prompt and timely action in providing for the repulsion from our beloved state of bands of hostile Indians who imminently threatened the lives of our citizens.

RESOLVED, That we congratulate the people of the state of Kansas and the 17th judicial district in particular, upon this year of their unprecedented prosperity and upon the present boom which is bound to continue until every quarter section of land shall be the recipient of a happy home.

Respectfully submitted,
C. A. LEWIS.
C. C. RIDGWAY.
JAMES GORDON.
WM. MANNING.
W. JENNINGS.

Preparing for the Cholera.

Chamberlain & Co., of Des Moines, Iowa, have received five car loads of bottles so as to be prepared to supply Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, in case bowel complaints or cholera are epidemic this summer. Their preparation is a success and a great favorite for bowel complaints throughout the northwest. Sold by WAGNERS & GRIM.

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